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DAILY BRIEF
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1. Arab States -
Israel

The Israelis continue to prepare for eventual formal annexation of the Old City of Jerusalem. In recent days they have been busily reopening former roads connecting the two parts of the city, and repainting traffic signs in the Jordanian sector to conform to those in the new city. Yesterday there was an announcement that Israeli currency will now be the only legal tender in the old area.

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2. South Vietnam

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3. Panama

President Robles

plans to call a special session of the National Assembly sometime between 20 July and 1 August. He expects the treaty ratification process to take about 20 days and anticipates no serious trouble.

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In fact Robles has just picked up some help from an unexpected quarter. Two top officials who mouth the ultra-nationalistic line now say the treaties are good. One of these men has some influence among university students and this should help counter the efforts of Communist-led extremists to stir up trouble.

4. South Korea

President Pak announced a few cabinet changes yesterday--probably the minimum he believed necessary to quiet his critics and still maintain the current balance of power inside his government. In sum, we see no change in Seoul's domestic and international policies as a result.

5. Soviet Union

There is good evidence that the number one Communist in the Moscow city party organization--a rather large wheel--was ousted this week because he criticized Soviet policy during the Middle East crisis.

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Shortly after, there came the announcement that the man had been removed; he had a reputation as a hard-liner.

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